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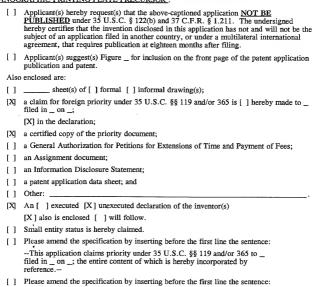
UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Box PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:







- [] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 - --This application is a continuation of International Application No. _ filed on _, which International Application [] was [] was not published by the International Bureau in English on _.--.
- [X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

	No. Of CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$740.00 (101)
Total Claims	20	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	0
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =	0
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (104)					0
Total Application Fee					\$740.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					0
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (581) if Assignment document is enclosed					0
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- [] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$ 740.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
- [] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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